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METAL OR METAL OXIDE POROUS
MATERIAL AND CATALYST, PREPARED
BY USE OF DEXTRAN OR RELATED
SOLUBLE CARBOHYDRATE POLYMER
AS AN AGENT TO FORM POROUS THREEDIMENSIONAL ARCHITECHTURES
FROM METAL SALTS OR PREFORMED
PARTICLES
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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